

BEAVER POND NATURAL AREA SITE ANALYSIS

COMMUNITY

OBSERVATION:
THIS SECTION OF THE PARK HAS THE MOST POTENTIAL FOR COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT:

- MEDIUM TRAFFIC
- ADJACENT LANDUSE IS RESIDENTIAL
- MIXTURE OF SENSITIVE AREAS AND RECREATION OPPORTUNITIES
- POTENTIAL FOR MORE FORMALITY IN TRAIL DESIGN, LAYOUT AS WELL AS CREEK CROSSING

TO BEST PRESERVE ECOLOGICAL FUNCTION IN THIS SECTION, PROMOTE NEIGHBORHOOD STEWARDSHIP

CONSERVATION

OBSERVATION:
THIS SECTION OF THE PARK HAS THE MOST POTENTIAL FOR CONSERVATION:

- LOW TRAFFIC
- BEAVER ACTIVITY HAS CREATED AN ENVIRONMENT THAT IS CONSTANTLY IN-FLUX
- SENSITIVE HABITAT IS NOT COMPATIBLE WITH RECREATION BEYOND OBSERVATION

TO BEST PRESERVE ECOLOGICAL FUNCTION IN THIS SECTION, PROMOTE VISITOR EDUCATION AND INTERPRETATION FROM PERIMETER OF PARK.

DEMONSTRATION

OBSERVATION:
THIS SECTION OF THE PARK IS POTENTIALLY THE MOST HIGHLY VISIBLE:

- HIGHEST TRAFFIC
- HIGH INTENSITY ADJACENT LANDUSE
- POTENTIAL TO CONNECT VISUALLY TO THORNTON PLACE

TO BEST PRESERVE ECOLOGICAL FUNCTION IN THIS SECTION, PROMOTE VISTAS AND ENJOYMENT ALONG THE OUTER AND HIGHER ELEVATION EDGES OF THE VALLEY-LIKE TOPOGRAPHY ALREADY EXISTING.

RECREATION

OBSERVATION:
THIS SECTION OF THE PARK HAS THE MOST POTENTIAL FOR RECREATION:

- ACCESSIBLE BUT SET BACK FROM HIGH TRAFFIC
- RECENT PARK EXPANSION AREA IS RELATIVELY FLAT AND FREE OF SIGNIFICANT VEGETATION
- HIGH POTENTIAL TO CONNECT TO NORTHGATE COMMUNITY CENTER

TO BEST PRESERVE ECOLOGICAL FUNCTION IN THIS SECTION, PROMOTE VISITOR EDUCATION AND INTERPRETATION.

LEGEND

- ACCESS POINT
- CONNECTION OPPORTUNITY
- THORNTON CREEK
- RESTORATION OPPORTUNITY
- APPROXIMATE TRAIL AND BRIDGE LOCATION
- WETLAND AREA
- CONSERVATION/ RECREATION CONFLICT
- RELATIVELY STEEP SLOPE
- RELATIVELY FLAT
- VIEW
- BUS STOP
- STREET END